



Be Like-Minded with One Another

1st in the “One Another” Series

Philippians 2:1-11, Romans 15:5-6

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Introduction: In this passage, we learn the foundation of why the Church exists and how we live out our calling in community.

1) We exist as the Church to proclaim and display the Gospel (vv. 1-2 & ch. 1, v. 27).

Have the same mindset of the Gospel.

2) We exist as a Church to set aside our individual agendas and take up a common sacrifice. (vv. 3-8).

Have the same mindset of Christ.

3) We exist as a Church to bring glory to God. (vv. 9-11 and Romans 15:5-6).

Have the same mindset for God’s glory.

Response

Lord, may we glorify You by proclaiming and displaying the Gospel in community here at Hope Church.

Sunday Text Questions
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Read the text aloud and discuss any significant observations or issues that need clarification together.

- 1) Paul calls us to live "worthy of the gospel" by sharing the same mindset (vv. 1–2 & ch. 1, v.27). In what practical ways can we, as a community, move from just *proclaiming* the Gospel with our words to visibly *displaying* it through our unity?
- 2) Verses 3–4 challenge us to "do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit" and to value others above ourselves. What is one personal agenda, right, or preference you find hardest to lay down for the sake of church unity?
- 3) Looking at Christ's example in verses 5–8 – "who made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant" – what does taking up a common sacrifice look like in our modern, everyday lives and church community?
- 4) Philippians 2:9–11 and Romans 15:5–6 both emphasize that our ultimate purpose is the glory of God. How does keeping God's ultimate exaltation in view change the way we resolve conflicts or navigate disagreements with fellow believers?
- 5) Romans 15:5 reminds us that God gives us endurance and encouragement so we can have this attitude toward each other. When pursuing this level of Christlike humility feels exhausting or unnatural, how can we actively depend on God's grace rather than our own willpower?

Further study this week: Passages related to the message of this week's text: Ephesians 4:1-3 (Mon); 2 Corinthians 8:9 (Tues); 1 Peter 4:11 (Wed); 1 Corinthians 10:24 (Thurs); 1 Peter 3:8 (Fri).